

Regional GIS Councils

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Role of Regional Councils within the California GIS Council

Regional Councils will review The Council's reports to provide recommendations on policy alignment with local and regional GIS needs and be a focal point for partnerships to build California's geographic information infrastructure. The number, geographic breakdown and resources needed to support these meetings will be determined by The Council.

Benefits of Participating in a Regional GIS Council:

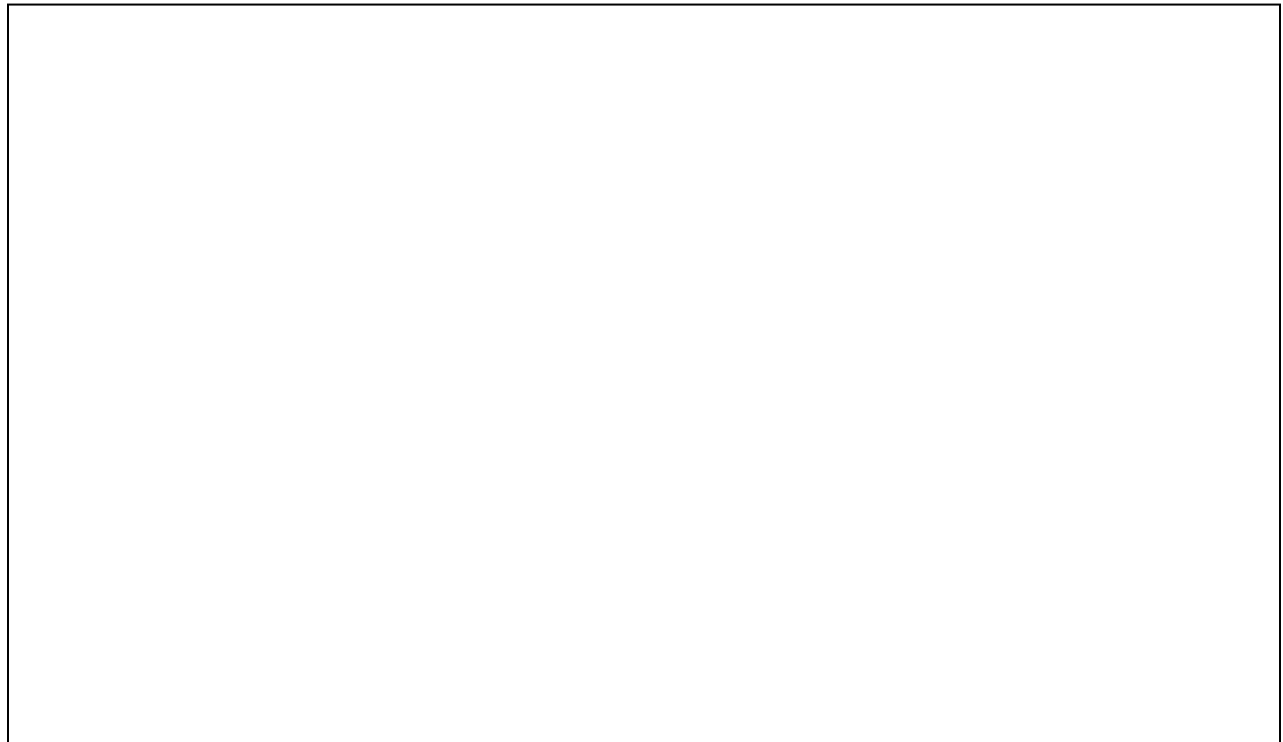
- Opportunity for local and regional government to participate as equal partner with the state and federal agencies
- Opportunities to work together on projects of state, local, and federal interest
- Reduced agency cost of data development
- Opportunities for data sharing
- Reduced consultant cost
- Increased productivity

California GIS Council Actions to Support Regional GIS Councils:

- Conduct outreach to existing collaborations
- Designate Regional GIS Councils that meet the criteria for forming a regional GIS Council
- In support of Regional GIS Councils, the California GIS Council will host a web site that will allow the Regional GIS Councils to post agendas and minutes.
- The California GIS Council will review the extent of all regional councils operational areas after a minimum 1-year trial period and recommend modifications as needed to ensure that the entire state is included.

Regional Standing Committee

The Regional Standing Committee, comprised of liaisons from California's Regional GIS Councils, will advise The Council, The Steering Committee and/or the Geographic Information Officer on the appropriateness and alignment of its proposals with regional priorities.



Forming a Regional GIS Council:

Adopt a charter

Hold Quarterly meetings

**Invite all GIS users in the
defined region**

Appoint a liaison

**Review & Comment on the
California GIS Council.**

**Develop GIS Project
partnerships**

**Post Regional GIS
partnerships**

Regional GIS Council Application

- 1. Provide an electronic and/or hardcopy version of a 8.5"x11" map, that identifies the boundaries of the proposed Regional GIS Council.**
- 2. List the existing local, regional, state and federal GIS users within the proposed Regional GIS Council boundary, including point of contact information on each participant.**
- 3. List the local convening organization to support the Regional GIS Council collaboration, including point of contact information.**
- 4. Appoint a liaison that will represents the Regional GIS Council as a member of the California GIS Council's Standing Subcommittee on Regions. Please include contact information.**
- 5. Attach governing document that demonstrates compliance with the goals of California GIS Council Charter.**

Regional GIS Council Application

**Map the Proposed GIS
Council Boundaries**

List GIS Users

**List local convening
organization**

Appoint Liaison

**Attach governing
document**